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I. O. O. F.
Troy Lodge No. 681. I. O. O. F. meets every Saturday night at their hall in the Withrow block. Visiting members invited to attend.
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Troy Lodge No. 34. A. F. & A. M. meets Saturday night on or before each full moon.
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CHAS. MARTIN, JR., Sec'y.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

Snow fell last Friday to the depth of about one foot.

The county bond question has been the source of considerable litigation. There are now eighteen cases involving the county bonds issued to railroads, pending on trial before the United States district court of this state.

The St. Louis *Republican* has commenced issuing an evening edition. The proprietors promise to make it a spicy, piquant little paper, giving the busy side of life, for city circulation. We suppose it is a continuation of the *Hutchins-Republican* fight.

The revival at Zion church, near the Montgomery county line, closed on the 8th ult. Eleven additions were made to the membership of the congregation. The meeting was conducted by Revs. Robnett, Machett and Dr. Crockett.

Drs. Bourland and Waddy, and Porter Norton took a hunt on the prairie last week. There were prairie-chickens by the thousands, but so wild that our nimrods could not get within shooting distance. They succeeded, however, in killing about twenty-five or thirty rabbits. Charlie Wells and Willie Bonfils killed about the same number near town last Saturday.

The Warrenton *Banner* says that one of the worst cases of sheep killing by dogs within its recollection, occurred on the night of the 19th ult., the sheep killed being the property of Mr. P. Ryan. Thirty-four were killed and wounded, all fine Cotswolds; of this number twenty were killed outright. Six of them were imported sheep, having been brought from Canada, and purchased in St. Louis by Mr. Ryan, at a cost of \$420. The remainder were remarkably fine native sheep. Warren county, like Lincoln, thinks a dog law is too expensive.

Mr. C. M. Brown, living four miles west of Truxton, just in the edge of Montgomery county, raised and fattened one hundred hogs the past year. On the 16th ult., he made sale of the whole lot, and realized in cash seventeen hundred and fifty dollars; besides, we are informed, a free ride on the cars to and from St. Louis and a five dollar hat. Mr. Brown feels encouraged, and thinks of going into the stock business more extensively. He has now on hand sixty-five head of two-year old cattle, and is crying for more; and wants to purchase at least one hundred hogs to fatten for the June market. He has enterprise.

OUR COAL AND THE RAILROAD.

One hope of the advancement of our town and its business interests has been, for several years past, the completion of the St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad, and a branch road to connect with it from the coal mines seven or eight miles west of Troy. This latter project was one that was looked upon as certain if the first were ever completed, for the cost of surveying, grading, etc., per mile, would be light when compared with any route from the mines to the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern railway, besides being much nearer. And we think we are not mistaken when we say that the directors and contractors of the St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad have looked upon this enterprise as the probable source of a considerable revenue to their road. The mines give promise of being practically inexhaustible, and the road which secures the transportation of its coal to the markets of the world will reap a very rich harvest. We had hoped that the projected railroad through this county would be the fortunate one—no one six years since doubting that it would be finished before this time—but it has dragged its weary length along, and promise after promise has been broken, hope after hope deferred, until every man you meet puts on a sad, incredulous, half-sardonic smile if you mention it to him that some grandee of the railroad company has said that "the road will surely be completed by the next spring or the next fall." Not only has this feeling taken hold of many of our citizens, but the coal company seem to think there is little hope in this direction for transportation for their coal, and the members are beginning to cast about them. They are canvassing the project of a branch road from the mines to the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern railway, and over here in Warren we have two lively towns bidding for the prize—Wright City and Warrenton. Wentzville, in St. Charles county, has also been spoken of, and its citizens are willing to extend material aid. In Warrenton the people are growing enthusiastic, holding meetings, and doing all in their power to induce the coal company to build their branch to that place. The same feelings seem to animate the citizens of the less pretentious Wright City; and there appears to be no doubt that the coal company is looking with favor upon these places. Troy of course would be their favorite point, if there were a road here to connect with, on account of the great advantages over any other in the matter of grading and laying a track. An early completion of the St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad will secure us this branch, and that road a large income from coal transportation. Are the directors going to stand idle while they see the golden sands slipping through their fingers? Moneyed men have their capital invested in these mines, and they want to realize something from them. They can only do this by working them and transporting the coal, and it is not to be presumed a company of live Yankees will wait forever on a railroad company that has as yet given us but little else than broken promises and a partial grade.

Sleighing has been very general the past week. We advise those young gentlemen, however, whose hilarity overcomes their better manners after nightfall, when skimming along to the music of the bells, to be sure that the passers-by they twit with their rowdyish expressions are not ladies, as was the case in one instance last Sunday night.

The first editor who hereafter utters the disagreeable epithet, "bachelor," in connection with the name of Bryan of the *Standard*, may expect to have that philanthropic gentleman retort, "you are a liar, a villain and a thief," and soon after to see the apparition of a Roman nose flourishing an old horse pistol about his devoted head.

AT LAST.

Time, fleet-winged and relentless, flits across the sky of our life, leaving a cloud here, a sunbeam there, checking it with stars of hope that gleam and burn and then disappear in the darkness of the past, while we watch intently for the realization of some cherished boon to come at last. A tiny fountain leaps and bubbles with sparkling joy up through the yielding sand, or out of the heart of some generous rock, and dances merrily along, mingling and commingling with other musical brooklets that shimmer through the meadow grasses and over the smooth pebbles, ever increasing, until it rushes into the rolling, tempestuous sea at last. A tender bud peeps out at the first warm breath of spring, a genial sun smiles it welcome and bids it expand, until it becomes grand and beautiful in its bright green foliage, and forms a cool, shady retreat from the scorching rays of a summer's sun at last. However immutable may appear the scenes before us, time writes upon them its change at last. We had a friend; we thought no change could be wrought in that firm nature; that the plan of his life, his idea of the prophecies, his determination to abide these, were as lasting as the tenure of his life. We believed his chart was erroneous, and that happiness lay not in the path that he marked out and for so long a time pursued with unflinching relentlessness; and our prayers have gone up that the scales might be taken from his eyes; that the prospect of an unenviable future might disappear from his melancholy mind; that a cold bare room, with its lacework of cobwebs, its lonesome bed with a bachelor's tuck, and boot-jacks and dirty socks scattered around, would no more form the groundwork of his dream of old age. And, at last, he has renounced the folly of his life—the ambition to be a bachelor. Bryan, Wm. S., of the *Montgomery Standard* is married at last. Miss Nannie M. North captured this irrepressible quill-driver, and on last Wednesday tied the knot that holds him so fast that it will stand until—but hold, this is a divorcee's tale. We extend our condolences to Mrs. Bryan. Lucky man—unfortunate woman.

CROP REPORT.

Mess. Jas. A. Ford and Francis G. Shocklee send us the following report of grain threshed by them the present season. The figures represent the number of bushels:

	Wheat.	Oats.
Hiram Hall,	—	320
F. Hall,	—	157
C. W. McKinlay,	189	—
John McKinlay,	94	—
W. T. Mudd,	500	—
J. M. Shocklee,	312	130
James Lyons,	305	322
G. H. Mudd,	341	—
E. G. Sinton,	95	—
W. Lee,	170	581
J. Uptegrove,	121	154
Robert Mudd,	269	—
Nick Mudd,	28	—
Charles Mudd,	—	26
Nick D. Mudd,	71	22
N. Mudd,	48	—
M. Lynch,	285	139
James Robey,	90	40
Lloyd Robey,	76	46
Tim Cummins,	157	216
F. Clare,	297	436
W. Custer,	44	79
Brian Wommack,	74	92
R. Kenlon,	44	—
J. R. Gilliland,	—	272
Joe Rush,	31	—
John Gilmore,	457	—
Crider & Kimble,	50	90
J. W. Jackson,	458	85
Wm. Achor,	729	—
J. Henry,	120	—
C. Mudd,	316	260
B. J. Bowles,	89	39
P. W. Wheatley,	22	637
A. C. Wheatley,	37	278
W. P. Shocklee,	300	150
T. Jackson,	—	259
John Scott,	123	281
John Brown,	562	327
G. Roberts,	—	150
W. Wesler,	25	85
G. Huff,	30	—
James Ford,	152	—
F. Shocklee,	60	249

A correspondent from Truxton informs us that hog buyers are exciting that section of our county. The price of pork in the neighborhood ranges from \$6 to \$6.35.

MASSONIC LODGE ORGANIZED.

SULPHUR LICK, Nov. 30.
Editors Herald: On Friday last, November 27th, in company with W. H. Muzzey, Deputy Grand Master of Masons, Fourth district of Missouri, J. Miller Wilson, Master of Wentzville Lodge, and several other brethren, went to the town of Nineveh for the purpose of dedicating the new masonic hall and constituting the brethren into a new lodge, under the name of Nineveh Lodge, No. 473.

An election was held for officers of the lodge for the ensuing year, and resulted as follows:

A. C. Snethen, W. M.; Wm. Womble, S. W.; F. Cornelius, J. W.; B. A. Gilliland, Treasurer; J. C. Elmore, Secretary; Isaiah C. Capps, S. D.; J. E. Mosely, J. D.; Jno. Ingram, Tyler.

The weather was very bad, but altogether it was a pleasant affair. The party of which I was a member are under lasting obligations to Mr. Theron Ives and his good lady for kindness shown us; Mrs. Ives knows how to dish up a good dinner and treat her friends well. After leaving Nineveh, on our return home, we spent the night at Mr. B. A. Gilliland's, where we shared the hospitalities of the kind host and hostess; and in fact, the good people of Nineveh know how to treat strangers from other parts. TYRIAN.

ARITHMETICAL PROBLEMS.—A school teacher—we have forgotten his name—from St. Charles county, sends us the following example for publication, and wants some of our teachers to find out the correct answer:

"How many square feet of board will be required to make 3 doz. boxes, whose inner dimensions are 2 1-2 feet in length and breadth, 1 2-3 feet in depth; the boards to be 1 inch in thickness."

"How many square feet of boards will be necessary to make 36 boxes, whose outer dimensions are the same as the inner dimensions given in the above example, the boards to be the same thickness? and what are the solid contents in cubic inches?"

The questions to be performed by the application of the fundamental rules of arithmetic.

Answers to these examples accompany them, and we are ready to compare those given by any of our teachers with them.

Dr. W. is inconsolable. He was the fortunate possessor of a beautiful black crow who sported the euphonious name of "Barney." The Doctor was very fond of his pet, and when out riding along the lonely highway, the bright stars glittering above his head, the affectionate welcome of Barney was ever associated with his thoughts of home. But Barney, like a great many persons who are credited with more sense, was a star-gazer, and while awaiting the return of his beloved friend, the doctor, would, despite the warnings oft repeated in his ears, sit brooding melancholy on the windlass of a well, watching the twinkling of Madame Venus. This was his favorite star—we all have our favorites—and as he stretched his lanky neck heavenward to get a better view of the "diamond in the sky," he tilted it back too far, lost his balance, and the cold water above which he sat brooding, closed over poor Barney. And now the Doctor moans, sighing:

"'Tis over thus from childhood's hour, I've seen my fondest hopes decay."

LINCOLN COUNTY COAL.—The people of Warrenton, on the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern railroad, are discussing the project of a branch road from that place to the Lincoln county coal fields, about twenty miles distance, and a public meeting was held on the 18th, and another on the 25th, to consider it. The St. L., K. C. and N. Railroad company and the owners of the Lincoln mines are said to be willing to assist in the work. The Lincoln county coal is of a superior quality, and the proposed road would place it within easy reach of St. Louis and of the manufacturing enterprises of St. Charles. *Republican*.

Within the recollection of the "oldest inhabitant," the snow that fell last Friday was the heaviest ever known to fall in these parts in November.

The members of the Christian church at Warrenton, aided by other citizens of that place, have purchased a seven hundred dollar bell for their house of worship.

Why wouldn't a large flouring mill be a good investment in Troy? We have one very good mill here, of not very large dimensions, however. It gets more grinding than it can attend to, but doesn't supply one half of the flour that is sold by the stores of this place. Our merchants buy at St. Charles, New Melle, Wright City and other places. This trade might just as well be kept at home, and a mill that can supply the demand can get plenty of wheat here and sell all the flour they make—if it is of good quality.

"Tuck" McDonald returned home last Monday, after an absence of about fifteen months.

1,000 Acres of Good Tillable Land to be had on One, Two or Three years Time.

I propose to furnish all building material for houses, stables and cribs, the lessors to do all the work, and they to have all the corn they raise the first year, and after that time give me one third, put in the crib. All the land is under good fencing, and lies in the northeast corner of Lincoln county, Mo., two miles from Falmouth, on the Mississippi river. Stock feed reserved. Address me Paysonville, Mo.

Nov. 16, 1874. A. M. JAMISON.

DECEASED.
STOCKWELL—CANNON.—November 16, 1874, at the residence of the bride's father, Hon. S. D. Cannon, in this county, by Rev. P. S. Branstetter, Mr. C. W. Stockwell and Miss Emma Cannon. Attendants: Mr. T. J. Stewart and Miss Mollie Cannon.

DIED.
MCCULLOCH.—Oct. 23, 1874, at his home 4 miles southeast of Truxton, Jerry R. McCulloch, aged 32 years.

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